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SUBJ: PROGRAMS FOR IV GRANTEES SENATOR RUTH AND MR.

JAMES COLEMAN

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APPRECIATE PROMPT APPROVAL COLEMANS' NOMINATIONS AND SCHED-
ULING DESPITE SHORT LEAD TIME.

1. MR. AND SENATOR COLEMAN PLAN DEPART SYDNEY FOR LOS
ANGELES VIA PANAM 812, ARRIVING 0520 OCTOBER 19. OVERNIGHTING
LOS ANGELES SHERATON WEST. DEPART OCTOBER 20 A.M. VIA
AMERICAN AIRLINES 76 FOR WASHINGTON. HAVE RESERVATIONS AT
SHERATON CARLTON. PLEASE MEET ON ARRIVAL. AS MEMBER NAT-
IONAL SENATE SENATOR COLEMAN SHOULD BE ACCORDED CERTAIN
DEFERENCE TO RANK; HOWEVER, WE IN NO WAY SUGGESTING SPECIAL
VIP TREATMENT. COUPLE ARE NOT AT ALL RANK CONCISOUS,
BUT PERSONABLE, EASY TO WORK WITH, AMENABLE TO WHATEVER
PROGRAMMING CAN BE ARRANGED WITHIN THEIR AREAS OF PROFES-
SIONAL INTEREST.

2. WHAT FOLLOWS IS A LONG SHOPPING LIST OF PROGRAM SUGGES-
TIONS. WE FULLY REALIZE THAT ALL WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE, ES-
PECIALLY WITH SHORT LEAD TIME, BUT HOPE THEY WILL SERVE AS
GOOD GUIDE TO I/LAB AND DEPARTMENT OF AREAS OF FOCUS FOR
THEIR PROGRAM. NOTE WE HAVE NOT SPECIFIED ANY CITIES
OUTSIDE OF WASHINGTON, BUT WASHINGTON PROGRAM SHOULD BE A
LONG ONE, AND ONGOING CITIES CAN BE WORKED OUT DURING CON-
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SULTATIONS THERE.

3. SEANTOR COLEMAN MUST BE BACK IN CANBERRA FOR RESUMPTION OF PARLIAMENT NOVEMBER 17. MR. COLEMAN CAN RETURN SAME TIME OR STAY ON FOR FULL THIRTY DAYS IF FEW EXTRA DAYS NEEDED FOR IMPORTANT EVENTS ON PROGRAM. MIGHT BE MOST CONVENIENT TO ALL CONCERNED IF THEY RETURN TOGETHER, BUT THIS FOR DISCUSSION WITH PROGRAM OFFICER.

4. COLEMANS' INTEREST EMBRACE FOUR AREAS: LABOR AFFAIRS, CONSUMER PROTECTION, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, URBAN MASS TRANSPORT. WE LISTING BELOW BOTH SUGGESTIONS FOR A JOINT PROGRAM IN WHICH THE COUPLE'S INTERESTS ARE IDENTICAL, AND ALSO SUGGESTIONS FOR SEPARATE PROGRAMMING FOR BOTH WHERE THEIR INTERESTS DO NOT COINCIDE.

5. JOINT PROGRAM:

A) LABOR AFFAIRS. (1) MEETINGS REQUESTED WITH EXECUTIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND WITH MEMBERS AND STAFF OF HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES CONCERNED WITH ISSUES OF LAWS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT IN WORKER SAFETY, HEALTH, EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. MEETING ALSO REQUESTED WITH NLRB TO DISCUSS ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION SYSTEM. (2) MEETINGS ALSO REQUESTED WITH EXECUTIVES OF AFL-CIO, NATIONAL UNIONS CONCERNED WITH COLLECTIVE BARGAINING IN STEEL, COAL, AND AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRIES TO DISCUSS CURRENT ISSUES, BARGAINING PROCEDURES. WISH TO MEET INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES RESPONSIBLE FOR NEGOTIATING WITH LABOR. (3) MR. COLEMAN WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE APPOINTMENT IF POSSIBLE WITH MR. GEORGE MEANY, WHOM HE MET ABOUT TEN YEARS AGO. WOULD ALSO LIKE APPOINTMENT WITH AFL-CIO VICE PRESIDENT FOR INTERNATIONAL LABOR AFFAIRS. (4) CONSULT WITH EXECUTIVES OF UNIONS WHICH HAVE ESPECIALLY WELL ORGANIZED AND DEVELOPED PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION. (FROM SHOP STEWARDS TO UNION EXECUTIVES) AND OF SERVICES TO MEMBER, SUCH AS SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, CREDIT UNIONS AND OTHER AMENITIES. SUGGEST ILGWU. (5) MEET AFL-CIO NATIONAL UNIONS EXECUTIVES CONCERNED WITH WOMEN IN INDUSTRY TO DISCUSS PAY, WORK CONDITIONS, EQUAL RIGHTS, PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. WOULD ALSO LIKE COLEMANS TO MEET MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVES CONCERNED WITH THAT ISSUE.

(B) CONSUMER AFFAIRS. (1) MEET, DISCUSS WITH FEDERAL, STATE, UNCLASSIFIED

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AND LOCAL EXECUTIVES PROBLEMS OF LAW AND LAW ENFORCEMENT IN MATTERS OF FALSE AND MISLEADING LABELLING AND ADVERTISING AND WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS OF SAFETY IN CONSUMER DURABLES. (2) INTERESTED IN ROLE OF FCC IN ENFORCING LAW AND RULES ON FALSE AND MISLEADING ADVERTISING, ESPECIALLY DIRECTED TO CHILDREN AUDIENCES, IN RADIO AND TELEVISION. MEET RADIO AND TELEVISION INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES TO DISCUSS THE MEDIA'S CODE OF ETHICAL STANDARDS ON ADVERTISING AND ENFORCE-

MENT OF THE CODE. (3) DISCUSS WITH ADVERTISING INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES INDUSTRY'S OWN CODES OR STANDARDS TO PROTECT THE CONSUMER AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF THOSE CODES OR STANDARDS.

(4) MEET MRS. VIRGINIA KNAUER, RALPH NADER AND SOME RAIDERS AND OTHER CONSUMER ADVOCATES. SENATOR COLEMAN ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE MR. NADER'S OPERATIONS. A RECENT IPS ARTICLE REFERRED TO REP. ANTHONY MOFETT, DEM. CONN., AS A FORMER NADER ASSOCIATE WHO IS NOW AN ACTIVIST ON CONSUMER PROTECTION IN HOUSE. (5)

POSSIBLE VISIT CONSUMER REPORT OPERATION IN MOUNT VERNON NEW YORK TO DISCUSS CR'S EFFORTS TO OBTAIN BETTER LAWS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TO IMPROVE CONSUMER PROTECTION.

(C) ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION. DISCUSS WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES AND WITH CONCERNED CONGRESS COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFFS ISSUE OF PLANNING PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT, PROTECTION AGAINST INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF RECREATION AREAS BY RECLAMATION, REFORESTATION. CONSULT WITH INDUSTRY LEADERS THEIR VIEWS AND ACTIONS ON THE PROTECTION ISSUE.

(D) URBAN MASS TRANSPORT. DISCUSS WITH SYSTEMS OFFICIALS CONCEPT AND EXECUTION OF METRO AND BART AND OTHER NEW URBAN SYSTEMS AND OBSERVE IMPROVEMENT IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY, REDUCTION OF AUTO DENSITY IN DOWNTOWN AREAS AS WELL AS PROBLEMS OF NEW SYSTEMS.

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6. INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM FOR MR. JAMES COLEMAN: (A) DISCUSS WITH AFL-CIO, UNITED AUTOMOBILE WORKERS AND UNITED MINE WORKERS EXECUTIVES AND INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES PROBLEMS AND RESOLUTIONS OF ISSUES IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROCEDURES BETWEEN LABOR

AND MANAGEMENT ARISING FROM AUTOMATION AND TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE IN THE AUTOMOBILE AND COAL INDUSTRY. WISHES TO TALK WITH WORKERS AND SHOP STEWARDS. (B) ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. MEET LEADERS IN MUSIC, THEATRE ARTS UNIONS TO DISCUSS EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS AND METHOD OF OPERATIONS AS INDUSTRY UNIONS, RELATIONS WITH AUSTRALIAN UNIONS IN SAME INDUSTRIES. MR. COLEMAN WILL HAVE SOME SPECIFIC NAMES OF CONTACTS FOR DISCUSSION WITH I/LAB. (C) CONTACT THE AMERICAN EQUIVALENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN CONFEDERATION OF INDUSTRIES, BODY WHICH NEGOTIATES FOR MANAGEMENT ON BEHALF OF AN ENTIRE INDUSTRY ON WAGES, CONDITIONS, ETC., WITH A NATIONAL LABOR UNION TO REACH NATIONWIDE AGREEMENT. (D) DISCUSS WITH EXECUTIVES OF THE NATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND/OR THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS THEIR RESEARCH AND OTHER ACTIVITIES WHICH RESULT IN ADVICE TO MANAGEMENT ON NEGOTIATING CONTRACTS WITH LABOR OR IN LOBBYING CONGRESS.

7. INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM FOR SENATOR COLEMAN: SENATOR COLEMAN HAS RECENTLY BEEN NAMED CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY AND TRADE WHICH HAS JURISDICTION OVER FOREIGN TRADE AGREEMENTS, THE AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN AID PROGRAM (COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON INDONESIA IS IN PREPARATION), AND ISSUE OF 35 HOUR WEEK. COMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY STUDYING WHOLESALERS' MARKUPS ON CONSUMER GOODS. SENATOR COLEMAN IS UNCLASSIFIED

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MEMBER OF SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY WHOSE CONCERN IS THE ROLE OF MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN AUSTRALIA.

SENATOR COLEMAN WISHES TO (A) OBSERVE OPERATION METHODS, ATTEND HEARINGS OF SENATE COMMITTEES FROM WORK OF STAFF UNDER COMMITTEE CLERK, ROLE OF CLERK, TAKING TESTIMONY, DRAFTING LEGISLATION OR COMPILATION OF REPORT. MEET WITH SENATORS AND STAFF OF COMMITTEES WITH JURISDICTIONS IN LABOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS. (B) OBSERVE OPERATION OF SENATOR'S OFFICE IN HOME STATE, PARTICULARLY ACTIVITY OF REPORTING TO CONSTITUENTS THROUGH MEDIA AND PERSONAL CONTACT ON THE SENATOR'S ACTIVITY ON THEIR BEHALF. (C) OBSERVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN WHITE HOUSE AND GOVERNORS ON ADMINISTRATION ACTION ON MATTERS OF STATES' INTERESTS AND ROLE OF REGIONAL GOVERNORS' COUNCILS TO LOBBY WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESS ON CONCERNS. (D) MEET LEADING WOMEN MEMBERS OF HOUSE, ESPECIALLY THOSE INTERESTED IN WOMEN'S AFFAIRS, CONSUMER PROTECTION, LABOR AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENT ISSUES.

8. MISCELLANEOUS. (1) HOTEL RESERVATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE FROM SHERATON PERTH FOR SHERATON LOS ANGELES AND SHERATON CARLTON WASHINGTON. LATTER HAS BEEN ADVISED TO MAKE ONWARD

RESERVATIONS AT U.S. GOVERNMENT RATE ACCORDING TO PROGRAM DEVELOPED IN COLEMAN CONSULTATIONS WITH I/LAB. (2) REQUEST I/LAB OR CU CONTACT AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY WHICH INFORMED BY FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF COLEMANS' VISIT. (3) SUGGEST FORMER PERTH BPAO DAN SCHERR, NOW IN USIA, PERSONAL FREIND, BE ADVISED OF VISIT. (4) SUGGEST USIA EEO MEL BLUM BE ADVISED OF VISIT TO ASSIST IN BRIEFING ON EQUAL EMPLOYMENT AND ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS REGULATIOS AND ENFORCEMENT. ALSO TO BRIEF ON ILGWU ACTIVITIES. (5) ICS BRUCE GREGORY AND OTHER OFFICERS OF AFGE 1812 MEET COLEMANS TO DISCUSS LABOR UNIONS IN FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE. (6) SUGGEST BUSINESS COUNCIL OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING BE CONSULTED TO HELP ARRANGE APPOINTMENT WITH EXECUTIVES OF MULTINATIONAL FIRMS WITH OPERATIONS IN AUSTRALIA AND WITH EXECUTIVES IN AUTOMOBILE, STEEL AND COAL INDUSTRIES. (7) COLEMANS MAY WISH TO TRAVEL BY AMTRAK FROM WASHINGTON TO NEW YORK OR SOME OTHER TRIP OF SIMILAR LENGTH. (8) PERTH BPAO WARD HAS GIVEN COLEMANS NAMES OF UNCLASSIFIED

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